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In re Application of:            Joseph Emmanuel Zarb et al.  
Application No.:                10/551,873  
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Examiner:                        Lauren E. Robinson  
Art Unit:                         4174  
For:                                A Durable High Performance Fibre Cement Product And Method  
   Of Manufacture

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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment for the above-named U.S. patent application which was originally filed in the U.S. on September 20, 2005, under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and PCT Article 39(1). In view of the amendments and remarks provided herein, Applicant submits that the application is in condition for allowance and respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejections.

Applicants' Amendment includes the following:

**Amendments to the Specification** that begin on page 2;

**Amendments to the Claims** reflected in the Listing of Claims that begin on page 9;

**Remarks** that begin on page 17; and

**Conclusion** that begins on page 21 of this paper.